

FISCAL NOTE

HB 1089 - SB 1165

March 25, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes the requirement that the Department of Health include patient income in calculating the amount of reimbursement it gives to Residential Homes for the Aged (RHA).

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact - Legislation establishing the program limits expenditures to funds appropriated. Eliminating patient income would increase the reimbursement per person and reduce the number served from 160 to 111. The amount of increase in state funding needed to maintain the current number served would be \$232,500.

The current program has an annual appropriation of \$525,100 that will serve 160 residents at \$9 per day (\$13 less \$4 patient income). Removing the offset for patient income increases the reimbursement to \$13 per day that allows 111 persons to be served from the current appropriation. Serving the remaining 49 persons at \$13 per day would require an increase in state expenditures of \$232,500.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director